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PYTHIANS CELEBRATE.

St. Louis Lodges, Courts, Uniform Rank and Cadets Hold
Monster Celebration at St. Paul's Chapel, April 29

St. Louis, Mo., April 30—Fully three thousand persons were in and about St. Paul's chapel yesterday to witness the parade and anniversary services of the Knights of Pythias and Calanthean sisters. The mammoth parade of men and boys was formed near the Pythian Temple on Pine street. It was led by the Regimental Band.

Troop A, the Uniform companies, Calanthean and Cadet corps presented some very pleasing spectacles for observers.

The procession arrived at the church at 3:45. It required thirty minutes to seat the marching host. After all seats had been filled several hundred remained standing within while thousands filled the streets leading up to the church.

The choir having sung the opening hymn, Past Grand Chancellor William Johnson, chairman of the Program Committee, called the assemblage to order and introduced Dr. W. P. Curtis, Treasurer of the Endowment Board, as the Master of Ceremonies. Dr. Curtis, without any preliminaries, announced the following program:

Address of Welcome, Dr. D. W. Scott
Response, W. H. Davis
Pythian Ode, "God Bless Our Knightly Band"
Invocation, William H. Hughes
Selection, choir
Paper, "Pythianism," Benj. J. Carruthers
Paper, "Calantheanism," Miss Clara Arnett
Solo, Miss Mabel Story
Scripture Lesson, Psalm, XV, William H. Hughes
Collection, amounting to \$86
Address, "State of the Order," A. W. Lloyd
Address, "State of the Court," Miss Arsanah M. Williams
Address, "The Supreme Jurisdiction," C. K. Robinson
Solo, Mrs. Melina Mosby
Sermon, Text: John, XV, 13th, Rev. R. H. Cole
Selection, choir
Benediction

This occasion was an inspiring one to all who witnessed its imposing ceremonies.

Hundreds of spectators along the line of march were delighted by the beautiful formations and rapid maneuvers of the well drilled companies and cadet corps.

The most attractive feature in parade was the boy cadets. They performed their maneuvers with a smoothness of execution and a swiftness of movement that surpassed the older organizations. Captain Hughes, their drillmaster means to take them to Kansas City fully prepared to "mop up" the earth for everything in sight.

PYTHIANISM

St. Louis, Mo., April 28—This is one of the greatest orders upon the face of the earth. For when God his mighty works began, he said "Let there be light," and the blessed light appeared.

No order has done more for suffering humanity, more to relieve the widows and orphans, more to shed rays of light into benighted homes, than this grand lasting fraternity.

During the past ten years; Pythianism has grown in interest and good-will as the Cedars of Lebanon. It has spread in christian charity and influence as the green bay tree.

Founded upon the Bible, the unerring word of God, its basic foundation is as firm as the Rock of Ages. Its steady but quiet march has been heard through all the states and territories of this great country, as well as South America and the Islands of the Sea.

In all the ages of the world from the building of Noah's Ark which floated upon the bosom of the historic flood; and from the establishing of civilization, and from the giving the law on Sinai, institutions and organizations, of every code and name have come into prominence only upon merit. So with this grand and noble order of ours.

Today it is a living epistle known and read by all Men, of every clime and nationality.

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ready to "rescue the perishing and care for the dying."

While Benevolence, the mother of all good, extends a hand of mercy to the weak, and gives a halo of glory to all wherever the rays of Pythianism has thrown its mystic influence.

On these three pillars rests the superstructure of our noble order. Around them we cast our brightest hopes and expectations. We have come here not to "sound brass or tingle similes." Deeds, not words are the recommendations it offers the world.

It is spending a half million dollars annually for the relief of our race. It is hastening the day when the Caucasian, the sable sons of Ham, the almond eyed Mongolian and the prosperous Jew shall be gathered together in one common brotherhood.

It is hastening the day, when right shall be the king that shall wield the scepter. It is hastening the day when wrong shall perish and die. Then will the music of history sing the song of peace and harmony and the smoke from our orders shall go up from a thousand hills.

B. J. CARRUTHERS.

CALANTHEANISM.

Our renowned order had its origin many years in that history-

loyalty and Fidelity. Green for peace and Harmony, and White for purity and Love; so altogether blue, green and white gives us a banner fit to be cherished by all our hearts and upheld by all our hands. Today we are proud to uphold our banner as well as our hearts and voices in concert and united chorus in one grand thanks giving song and prayer to our Supreme Counsellor, who has showered blessings upon our ranks during the year and has given our calanthean host in Missouri strong leadership, permitted us to mingle together in blessed anniversary service and chant Lord be merciful upon us and incline our hearts to do thy will. Also, Lord be merciful upon us and incline our hearts to keep that law.

And, in conclusion let me add that the order of Calanthea is very hopefully of contributing her share in the uplifting and salvation of the women of a down cast race and rejected people. We look forward to that day when Ethiopia shall stretch forth her hands, when we recite with Ella Wheeler Wilcox:—

"The things thou cravest wait in the distance.
Wrapped in the silence unseen and eternal,
Essential to the soul and thy existence.
Live worthy of it, call and it shall come."

Miss Clara Arnett.

Public School Exercises at New Franklin.

The colored public school, under the leadership of Prof. A. C. Lewis, has had a most profitable and prosperous year. By his untiring efforts he has brought the school up to a high standard until now it stands among the best in the state. The people of this place, both white and black, esteem him highly, and show their appreciation of his excellent work by attending and encouraging him to build up a strong and influential school. During the five years he has been at the head of this school a magnificent library has been purchased in which are some of the foremost literary productions of the world. That alone will stand out as a monument to his memory when he shall have gone from us to labor in some other field. He was nobly assisted by Mrs. Ada B. Hardgrave who has endeared herself to the patrons of the school by her admirable traits of character and deep interest in those under her charge.

The closing exercises which took place in Hughes' Chapel M. E. church, on the 27th of April, brought out a large audience. The program rendered was of a high order, showing in every particular the evidences of superior and skillful training.

One of the principle features of the evening was the exhibit of in-

dustrial work, which could only be seen to be rightly appreciated, while it at once demonstrated the fact that the head of the school is progressive and abreast with the times, we need more such young Negroes in our race. He and his assistant were easily re-elected for the ensuing year.

H. T. REEVES.

Thirty-one Knighted at Rocheport.

ROCHEPORT, Mo., May 1—The Grand Chancellor A. W. Lloye, of St. Louis, assisted by W. H. Huston, of the Sedalia Weekly Conservator, Sir Knights Wallace Williams, Robin Madison, J. C. Burton and W. W. Lampkins, the progressive grocery man, of Acme Lodge No. 24, Columbia, Mo., L. Leonard, Deputy District Grand Chancellor, L. F. Isaacs, John Isaacs, Lewis Williams, Willis Chinault, George Hocker, Benjamin Pankey, Clarence Williams, Seth Estill, Phillip D. G. S. Wm. Hicks, Richard Burton, Thomas Miller and Harvey Peters of Fayette Lodge No. 35, Fayette, Mo., instituted a lodge of 32 members here last night. Just previous to the regular work of initiation, Grand Chancellor Lloyd delivered a very instructive lecture to all assembled. Several members of the New Franklin Lodge participated in the work of initiation after the administering of the Second or Esquires degree, a very sumptuous lunch was served. Everything from greens up to ice cream was served in abundance. The "Geat" certainly did eat his fill, before taking his final "leap."

Messrs. Green Pipes and Ashton Moss deserve much credit for the excellent manner in which they managed the club organization. Rocheport's hospitality to the visiting brethren could not be surpassed by any community in the land.

The new lodge was christened "Zenith Lodge No. 35," of Rocheport, Mo., and choose the following officers:—

Charles Smith, Chancellor Commander; Edward Smith, Vice Chancellor; A. E. Robinson, Keeper of records and seal; Green Pipes, Master of the works; William Pipes, Prelate; Ashton Moss, Master of finance; Jefferson Sexton, Master of Exchequer; E. F. Gordon, Master at Arms; William Jackson, Inner Guard; William Givens, Outer Guard; Green Pipes, Grand Representative.

It will meet on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of each month at the U. K. T. Hall.

This new organization is composed of Rocheport's best Negro citizens and the future is auspicious for Pythianism in this section of Boone County.

Bridget—The butcher's wagon's at the door, mum.

Mrs. Housekeep—Ah! has he got pig's feet?

Bridget—How kin Oi tell, mum? Sure, 'tis too cold for him to be goin' bare-footed this weather.

Have you defective teeth?

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Dr. T. J. McAllister,

The Dental Specialist, of St. Joseph, Mo.,

Who will treat Dr. J. M. Harris' suite of rooms, 116 E. Main Street, Sedalia, Missouri, from May the 7 to the 17. He will come prepared to perform all manner of Dental Surgery in the latest and most skillful style. Wait for him. N. B. Those, not residing in city, will be shown special courtesies. If you plan to consult him, write this paper

age of the outside world, in accordance as it has been able to stand the dread scrutiny put to it. This time honored institution has moved on down through the ages amid sweeping floods and volcanic fires of opposition with a steady pace to accomplish the great work for which it was born.

There never was a time in all history when the brotherhood of man was more essential to race advancement than now. The world is watching us with most earnest solicitude.

Pythianism teaches that most essential element without which no man can be a real man; that is self-control.

Rome, sitting upon her seven hills; Babylon, surrounded by her mammoth wall could boast of their uncounted wealth must perish and be laid in the shade of oblivion, but the principles of Friendship, Charity and Benevolence will live forever.

In Friendship we find principles when carried out in their fullest, and most comprehensive sense, brings all humanity together in bonds that even the grim monster death cannot sever.

In Charity we find principles installed that are more lasting than the rock-ribbed hills, and more

cal ancient court founded by the Emperor Dionysius who was so wonderfully impressed, awe stricken and convicted of the Pythagorean honor, loyalty, friendship, charity and benevolence of our two seal friends in far away Syracuse on that beautiful island of Sicily, that he pled to be admitted into their miraculous bonds of friendship and then established the regal court of ladies, typical of the beautiful principals of Fidelity, Harmony and Love, as exhibited by Calantha Hermione during the moment of trying ordeal and the test of Knightly honor experienced by Damon and Pythias and so we today as calanthean courts extol the virtues of these characters and strive to emulate the principals of Fidelity, Harmony and Love, and to this end we today let fly our tri-colored banner of blue, green and white.

We are proud of our colors as they mean more to us than a mere pretty rosette, more than a mere symbol of our order, more than public display; more than calanthean glory; but they signify united efforts for the good of our membership and people. Our very colors have a language readily understood and recognized by the civilized world. Blue for

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